



**FOREIGN NATIONAL
STUDENT INTERN VACANCY
ANNOUNCEMENT
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE**

Announcement No. STATE-FNSI-01-09

POSITION: PUBLIC AFFAIRS SECTION Intern

OPEN TO: All Honduran and other foreign nationals who are legal resident students of the host country.
(*U.S. Citizen Students are not eligible under this program)

OPENING DATE: January 27, 2009

CLOSING DATE: February 10, 2009

WORK HOURS: Minimum 20 hours per week

STARTING DATE: Throughout the year

DURATION: 3 months

SALARY: Volunteer, unpaid

*NOTE: U.S. citizens are not/not eligible for this intern program. The U.S. Department of State sponsors a separate intern program for U.S. Citizens. For more information on student programs with State Department go to WWW.Careers.State.gov and click on Student Programs.

The U.S. Embassy is seeking an Intern in the Public Affairs Section (PAS). This is an unpaid/volunteer internship with no benefits, compensation, or any future employment rights being accrued as a result of an internship. Interns are required to have current medical insurance coverage.

BASIC FUNCTION:

The Public Affairs Section is the Press, Cultural, and Education element of the United States Embassy. Its primary mission is to help Hondurans better understand the United States in all its multicultural and multidimensional aspects and to provide direct explanations and background information on current policies and decisions.

The Intern will assist the Public Affairs Section (PAS) in carrying out the Public Diplomacy function of the U.S. Embassy and general Mission goals. Duties will include, but are not limited to, assistance with the bilingual and Information Resource Center (IRC) list servers; liaison with the Consular Section and Education USA offices of the bi-national centers in Tegucigalpa and San

Pedro Sula to promote studying in the United States through pre-departure orientations for students, and other activities; website review, overhaul and updating; assistance with logistics in support of PAS cultural programs and events; input of evaluations of PAS programs into the Mission Activity Tracker (MAT) database; translation and assistance with press releases; and assistance with other program and administrative matters, as necessary.

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS:

(NOTE: APPLICANTS MUST ADDRESS AND INCLUDE TO THE APPLICATION COPIES OF **ALL REQUIREMENTS LISTED BELOW** AND **SUBMIT DOCUMENTATION THAT SUPPORTS THESE REQUIREMENTS, I.E. UNIVERSITY STUDIES. APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED IF THESE DOCUMENTS ARE NOT SUBMITTED**).

EDUCATION: University studies in international relations, journalism, public relations, communications, or a related field with an interest in U.S. – Honduran relations and Central American affairs.

EXPERIENCE: None required.

LANGUAGE: Level III (Good working knowledge) in English and Level IV (Fluent) in Spanish is required.

KNOWLEDGE: None required.

SKILLS AND

ABILITIES: Familiarization and good working ability of computer applications such as Word, Outlook and Internet Explorer. Must have good communication and research skills.

SELECTION PROCESS

It is essential that the candidate address the above required qualifications in the application. Those who meet the basic qualifications will be invited to participate in an oral interview.

ADDITIONAL SELECTION CRITERIA:

1. Management will consider nepotism/conflict of interest, and residency status in determining successful internship.
2. Security and medical clearances must be completed before beginning the internship.
3. Must be at least 18 years old.
4. At least two letters of recommendation from professors.

TO APPLY

Interested applicants for this position must submit the following or the application will not be considered:

- 1) Application
- 2) Statement of Interest form
- 3) Academic Transcripts

SUBMIT APPLICATION TO:

BY MAIL: Send to the following address: American Embassy, Human Resources Office, Room 335, P.O. Box 3453, Tegucigalpa, Honduras. **IN PERSON:** Hand-carry and deposit in drop box located at the entrance of the American Embassy, Post # 3, Avenida San Carlos. **VIA E-MAIL:** Send to: nunezma@state.gov.

CLOSING DATE FOR THIS ANNOUNCEMENT: February 10, 2009

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